

116TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 4705

To amend title XIX requiring coverage under Medicaid of vaccines for pregnant women.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 24, 2020

Mr. CASSIDY (for himself and Ms. HASSAN) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Maternal Immuniza-
5 tion Coverage Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. MANDATORY COVERAGE UNDER MEDICAID OF VAC-**

7 **CINES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1905(a)(4) of the Social
9 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396d(a)(4)) is amended—

1 (1) by striking “and (D)” and inserting “(D)”;

2 and

(2) by inserting after “subsection (bb)” the following: “; and (E) for individuals who are eligible under the State plan or a waiver of such plan and are pregnant (including individuals whose eligibility for medical assistance is on the basis of being pregnant and limited to services related to pregnancy), approved vaccines recommended for such individuals by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices and the administration of such vaccines to such individuals”.

13 (b) PROHIBITION OF COST SHARING.—

1 curity Act (42 U.S.C. 1396o-1(b)(3)(B)(iii)) is
2 amended—

10 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
12 graph (2), the amendments made by this section
13 shall take effect on the date of enactment of this
14 Act.

1 requirements before the first day of the first calendar
2 quarter beginning after the close of the first regular
3 session of the State legislature that begins after the
4 date of enactment of this Act. For purposes of the
5 previous sentence, in the case of a State that has a
6 2-year legislative session, each year of such session
7 shall be deemed to be a separate regular session of
8 the State legislature.

